

release the maximum information appropriate under the Freedom of Information Act (32 CFR part 285) and the interest of the Government in protecting the national security.

§ 159a.69 Scope and principles.

The security education program shall include all personnel authorized or expected to be authorized access to classified information. Each DoD Component shall design its program to fit the requirements of different groups of personnel. Care must be exercised to assure that the program does not evolve into a perfunctory compliance with formal requirements without achieving the real goals of the program. The program shall, as a minimum, be designed to:

(a) Advise personnel of the adverse effects to the national security that could result from unauthorized disclosure and of their personal, moral, and legal responsibility to protect classified information within their knowledge, possession, or control;

(b) Indoctrinate personnel in the principles, criteria, and procedures for the classification, downgrading, declassification, marking, control and accountability, storage, destruction, and transmission of classified information and material, as prescribed in this Regulation, and alert them to the strict prohibitions against improper use and abuse of the classification system;

(c) Familiarize personnel with procedures for challenging classification decisions believed to be improper;

(d) Familiarize personnel with the security requirements of their particular assignment;

(e) Inform personnel of the techniques employed by foreign intelligence activities in attempting to obtain classified information, and their responsibility to report such attempts;

(f) Advise personnel of the penalties for engaging in espionage activities;

(g) Advise personnel of the strict prohibition against discussing classified information over an unsecure telephone or in any other manner that permits interception by unauthorized persons;

(h) Inform personnel of the penalties for violation or disregard of the provisions of this part (see § 159a.97(b));

(i) Instruct personnel that individuals having knowledge, possession, or control of classified information must determine, before disseminating such information, that the prospective recipient has been cleared for access by competent authority; needs the information in order to perform his or her official duties; and can properly protect (or store) the information.

§ 159a.70 Initial briefings.

DoD personnel granted a security clearance (see § 159a.53) shall not be permitted to have access to classified information until they have received an initial security briefing and have signed Standard Form 189, "Classified Information Nondisclosure Agreement." DoD 5200.1-PH-1³⁵ provides a sample briefing and additional information regarding Standard Form 189. Cleared personnel employed prior to June 1, 1986 must sign Standard Form 189 as soon as practicable but not later than February 28, 1990.

§ 159a.71 Refresher briefings.

Programs shall be established to provide, at a minimum, annual security training for personnel having continued access to classified information. The elements outlined in § 159a.69 shall be tailored to fit the needs of experienced personnel.

§ 159a.72 Foreign travel briefings.

(a) Personnel who have had access to classified information shall be given a foreign travel briefing, before travel, to alert them to their possible exploitation under the following conditions:

(1) Travel to or through communist-controlled countries; and

(2) Attendance at international scientific, technical, engineering or other professional meetings in the United States or in any country outside the United States where it can be anticipated that representatives of Communist-controlled countries will participate or be in attendance. (See also DoD Directive 5240.6³⁶.)

(b) Individuals who travel frequently, or attend or host meetings of foreign visitors as described in paragraph (a)(2)

³⁵ See footnote 2 to § 159a.3

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